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WHAT RUSSIA MUST PROMISE.

RECOGNITION CONDITIONS.

BRITISH PREMIER'S SURVEY.

LONDON CONFERENCE POINTS.

COMPLIMENTS IN THREE LANGUAGES.

(*Reuter's General Service.*)

LONDON, April 14.

Mr Ramsay MacDonald in a speech welcomed the delegates to the Anglo-Russian conference and said the conference was the completion of an act granting *de jure* recognition of Russia and in no way altered the fact that recognition was granted without qualification.

He pointed out that liquidation of the past and peaceful relations in the future must be considered. He also referred to propaganda.

His speech was then translated into Russian, M. Rakovsky replying in French that he was highly gratified at the delegation's welcome. He expressed the opinion that close Anglo-Russian financial and commercial co-operation was necessary for both countries. Debts and treaties must be discussed in detail.

He specially stressed the future of peace in Europe and the necessity for disarmament and sympathetically referred to the League of Nations.

[The Russian Mission, of about twenty, including eleven delegates, besides experts, and headed by M. Rakovsky, arrived in taxicabs at the Foreign Office closely followed by an escort of detectives. Mr Ramsay MacDonald presided at the conference, held in the Secretary of State's room. There were about twenty British representatives from the Foreign Office and the Board of Trade.]

PROPAGANDA MUST STOP.

Mr. MacDonald stressed that the first essential to friendly and profitable relations was that Russia should desist from countenancing, directly or indirectly, anything smacking of an attempt to propagandise among British subjects either at home or abroad. The people of this country would require more on this head than formal undertakings.

He did not think that if the conference failed to reach an understanding the Russians would be able to repeat the attempt and he did not see where else they could turn with better prospects.

Referring to the trade question he said people would risk nothing unless they knew contractual agreements would be honoured to the last letter.

CONVINCING THE PEOPLE.

Mr. MacDonald continued that where injury had been done they must go to the utmost possible to redress it so that they could begin with a clean slate.

Credit here was not in banks or governments but in the deposits of private individuals and unless they satisfied the mass of their people that they were fair and honest, no agreements could be honoured and they could not help each other.

The British people and British interests must be justly dealt with.

He declared he could not give way upon anything which would be regarded by his countrymen as paying an improper price for an agreement not expected of the Russians but within these limits he was sure they could come to terms.

EASTERN INTERESTS.

M. Rakovsky said they considered there was no insurmountable obstacle in the way of complete understanding. He believed if account were taken of mutual interests nothing stood in the way of a solution of the question of pre-war debts and private claims.

The British Government might also count on full and sincere goodwill regarding political questions. The Soviet Government had no intention of reverting to the Tsarist policy of conquest and the partition of Oriental States into spheres of influence. If the two Governments adopted as a starting point the principle of respecting the independence and sovereignty of Oriental States they would be free of difficulty in settling all questions pertaining to their interests in the East.

The war had awakened the national consciousness of the peoples of the East; any attempt to obstruct that legitimate consciousness would not only be a crime against our own interests but a folly, seeing that in the long run such a policy would inevitably fail.

DISARMAMENT ESSENTIAL.

Stressing the acute international situation, M. Rakovsky declared disarmament must be carried to the furthest possible limits.

M. Rakovsky said that although the Russian army in the past three years had been reduced from 6,000,000 to 500,000, Russia was ready, provided other States would do likewise, to take further decisive steps towards disarmament.

Russia was ready also to contribute in every way to the universal decrease in naval armaments subject to certain political guarantees.

As regards the League of Nations, the Soviet Government was prepared to associate itself with the plan of international organisation which excluded measures of coercion and reprisal and into which all the governments entered of their own free will and on a footing of perfect equality.

REVISING THE TREATIES.

M. Rakovsky said the first condition of a stable peace was revision of the Treaty of Versailles and the Treaties connected with it.

The reorganisation of Europe could only be stable if it was based on the will of the peoples and took into account the peoples' aspirations of national independence.

The Soviet Government was therefore prepared to support and pursue a policy of revising frontiers on ethnographic principles and applying plebiscite plan where necessary, as in Bessarabia. The Soviet Government fully shared the British view that mutual non-intervention in internal affairs was one of the indispensable conditions for the creation of mutual confidence.

The conference finally appointed an organising committee to supervise its labours.

EMPIRE CRUISE.

(*Reuter's General Service.*)

BRISBANE, April 14.

Brilliant weather is favouring the visit of the British squadron which has been given an enthusiastic reception.

SHIPYARD TROUBLE.

DRAMATIC MASS MEETING.

(*Reuter's General Service.*)

LONDON, April 14.

The mass meeting of Southampton engineers in the morning opened dramatically, a grand daughter of the late General Booth singing "Abide With Me" and the audience joining in the last verse.

Subsequently the meeting passed a resolution calling on the Government to institute a court of enquiry respecting the claim for increased wages and the cause of the Southampton dispute.

The resolution will be submitted to the Premier by a deputation to-morrow.

JAPAN TREATIES.

(*Reuter's General Service.*)

LONDON, April 14.

In the House of Commons, replying to Capt. Ormsby Gore, Mr. Ramsay MacDonald said he had no information with regard to any new Japanese and Rumanian defensive treaty giving a mutual guarantee against a Russian invasion of Bessarabia and the Japanese possessions in Saghalien.

Sir A. H. M. Sinclair asked whether Japan had yet ratified the treaty which she signed with Britain, France and Italy in regard to Bessarabia.

Mr. MacDonald asked for notice of the question.

DAY OF REST.

(*Reuter's General Service.*)

LONDON, April 14.

No newspapers are being published in England on Good Friday.

KIEFF TRIAL.

BRITAIN'S VIEWS WELL KNOWN.

(*Reuter's General Service.*)

LONDON, April 14.

In the House of Commons, replying to Mr. Sandeman in regard to M. Poincare's request to Britain to make representations to the Soviet in regard to the "intelligence" trial at Kieff, Mr. Ramsay MacDonald said the Government did not feel they could usefully make any official representations to the Soviet in that regard. The Soviet were well aware of the British Government's views.

[M. Poincare telegraphed to M. Chicherin declaring that French public opinion gravely feared the Professors implicated in the trial at Kieff would suffer the death penalty, and that their loss would be a cause of great sorrow and be regarded as a diminution of the world's intellectual patrimony. The French Government asked the British and Italian Governments to make a further appeal.]

THE RUHR MINES.

(*Reuter's General Service.*)

Berlin, April 14.

The negotiations between the Ruhr mine-owners and the Control Mission have resulted in the prolongation of the present agreements until June 15.

ANOTHER TREATY.

(*Reuter's General Service.*)

BRUSSELS, April 14.

The Cabinet has approved the commercial treaty with Japan based on the most-favoured nation principle.

STEAMER HOLED.

ENGINEERS WAIT DEEP IN WATER.

(*Reuter's Pacific Service.*)

Ichang, April 14.

The Indo-China steamer "Kiang Wo," proceeding to Chungking yesterday morning struck rocks in the "Kung Ling" rapids.

The engine room was holed but the opening was covered with a tarpaulin.

The vessel returned here with the engineers waist deep in water. The ship is now being surveyed.

AMONG FRIENDS.

WARSAW, April 14.

Archbishop Cieplak has arrived here from Riga. His emaciated features testified to the privations of his imprisonment. He was greeted by a number of ecclesiastical dignitaries, including Monsignor Lauri, the Papal Nuncio, and representatives of many Polish societies.

Huge crowds held up the traffic, and enthusiasts unharnessed the horses of the Archbishop's carriage, and dragged it to the Cardinal's. Archbishop Cieplak states that on route from Russia he was kept for ten days at the Cheka headquarters, where he was photographed a dozen times for some unknown purpose.

He was then taken to Seiers, on the Latvian frontier, and told to leave Russia immediately. He was penniless, and borrowed from the Latvian railwaymen enough money to take him to Riga.

Athens, April 14.—Semi-official returns of the plebiscite up to now show a 75% majority in favour of a republic.—*Reuter.*

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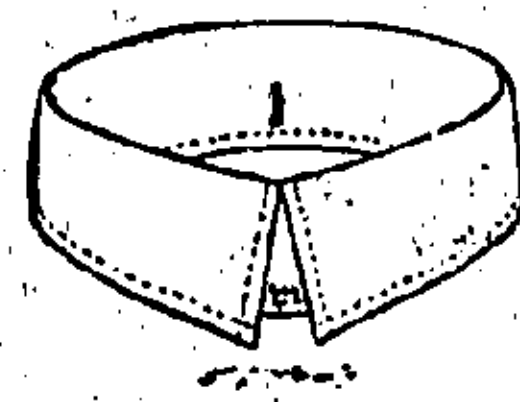
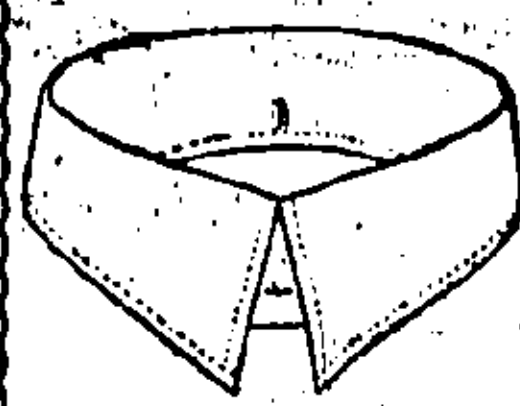
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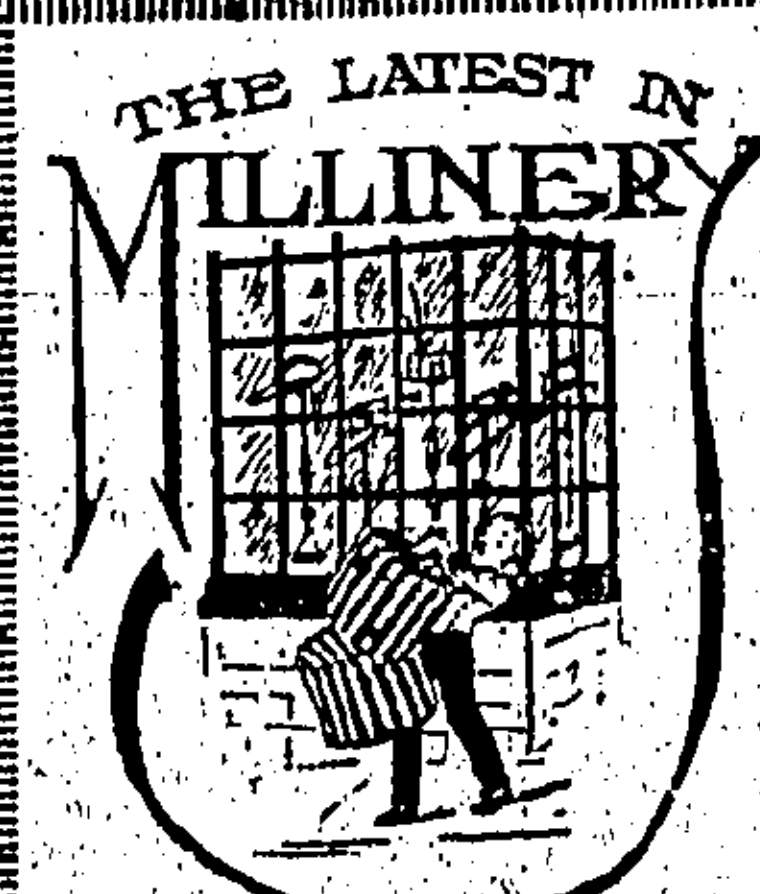
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Ashore of Afloat?

This is a story with a moral. A
Seattle longshoreman recently
met with an accident, being caught
in the seat of his pants by a cargo
hook attached to a steamer's boom.
Hoisted high in the air, the pants
tore, but the hook caught in the
man's leather belt. The belt gave
way and the unfortunate man fell
to the deck of the steamer and was
seriously injured. He claimed
under the State industrial
insurance regulations, which cover
longshoremen, but was disbarred
owing to the injury having been
sustained "after he had left the
deck," and he was directed to file
a suit in the Admiralty Court
against the owners of the steamer.
And the moral? It is this: Don't
get hooked in the pants!

Changing Beauty.

Mr. H. G. Riviere, in the discus-
sion on the changes in feminine
beauty invoked by the picture of
the composite bobbed-haired gradu-
ate, suggests that the greatest
change that has come over the
"beauty" in our generation is in
the development of the large mouth
from the terrible Victorian rosebud
(says the *Evening Standard*). But I
think a greater change is that of
the shoulders. For a century or
more weak, sloping shoulders were
admirable, but nowadays almost
every young woman, and certainly
everyone who is counted a beauty,
has straight, square, and rather
square shoulders. The odd thing is
that shoulders are no longer a
discussed "point," as they were
when conscientious Thackerayan
mamas would say "Don't stoop,"
to their debutante daughters, in
order to draw attention to their wine-
bottle-shaped shoulders. Now
that women's shoulders are really
handsome, and dress shows their
outline very frankly, nobody talks
about shoulders at all!

The Locust Scourge.

The South African farmer has
been almost overwhelmed with
locusts in the last few months.
Spraying the swarms with poison
(arsenite of soda), beating them to
death with flails, stampeding herds
of cattle over the swarms when
they come to rest are some of the
methods that have been employed
against the pest. The farmer has
derived great assistance too from
"the locust birds"—storks, cranes,
glaucous as Asia, and a
host of others. But the scale
was finally turned in his
favour when a parasitic fly
started to spread death amongst
the flying swarms of locusts. The
brummer fly, as it is called, is
about twice the size of the ordinary

house-fly. It lays a maggot on the
soft part of the locust's neck, and
though the insect lives for some
days it eventually succumbs. The
fly also seeks out for the little tubes
of eggs which the locust lays in
the ground, and deposits a maggot
alongside them, so that when the
eggs hatch out the young are called
when in the crawling stage, are
also attacked with fatal effects. It
is recalled that in 1902—which was
the worst locust year before the
present one—the brummer fly
stamped out the locust plague so
thoroughly that for many years
there was no sign of locusts of
any description.

Kilts and Bagpipes.

A London paper has discovered
that the kilt and the bagpipes were
in use in Cornwall about the time
that Robert Bruce re-established
the independence of Scotland at the
battle of Bannockburn. The au-
thority for the assertion is derived
from carved benches dating back
to the 14th century in a church on
the Bodmin moors. The carvings
depict Cornishmen wearing the kilt
and one of them playing the pipes.
The fact that the bagpipes were
known in Cornwall will occasion no
surprise, for these instruments were
first introduced into the British Isles
by the Romans, and it was from
England that the bagpipes spread
into the Celtic lands, and, later,
to Ireland. In England their use
quickly died out, but in Scotland
and parts of Ireland, particularly the
former, they took firm root and
gradually became identified with the
long life of the people. But the
medieval existence of the kilts in the
Highlands is a new discovery.
The Cornish variety is depicted as
being pleated in front as well as
behind, so if the carvings really do
represent Cornishmen, the Duchy
has an arguable case for claiming
that the modern kilt is of Cornish
origin, as the ancient Highland kilt
appears to have been that part of
the pleated extending below the belt
and was, therefore, unpleated.

The Super-Woman.

It is not that they cannot size up
character—for their intuition is
their greatest protection, and God's
special gift to them; that they are
not full of ideas, quick at carrying
out a business "coup," and able to
lead and command to an incredible
extent. But—and it is an important
but—the time will always come
when women will turn to men for
help. Is this, then, perhaps the

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difference, the little "something"
which is lacking in the eternal
feminine? The Victorians said
that a successful man always had
a good woman behind him. The
cynic says that a successful woman
usually has a bad man behind her.
In the case where the woman fills
the outstanding position of impor-
tance, she is nearly always advised
and supported by able and faithful
men. Nevertheless, granting all
this, man is still, as it were, the
last court of appeal, the Daniel
come to judgment.

So until we create the "super-
woman," the average man will in
some strange and inexplicable way
turn the scales when weighed with
the average woman.—From *My
Wanderings and Memories* by
LADY NORA BENTINCK.

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by the structure of the slopes and
the limestone plateau above White
Scar and believed it was evidence
of the existence of caves penetra-
ting the side of the mountain. He
gained an entry through a vent
in the rock and after dragging
himself on his stomach a
thousand feet, through stag-
nant water, reached a beautiful
cavern. The whole floor consisted
of the waters of a swiftly-flowing
river, which thundered into a great
basin before disappearing from
view in the shadows beyond. On
either hand the winding walls
were decked with the purest white
draperies of crystal, falling from
the roof to the water. The roof
was hung with a profusion of
stalactites, the reflections of which
met the eye at every turn. The
explorations are by no means com-
pleted. The river, which has been
traced for a mile, gives place to a
lake, the extent of which is un-
known. The entrance to the caves
is being enlarged to allow the
entrance of material necessary for
the completion of the investiga-
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The Charge for admission to the Public Enclosure will be \$1. Soldiers and Sailors in uniform half price.

Members are advised that they must show their Season Tickets to obtain admission to the Members' Enclosure. Each member has the right of introducing 2 non-members to the Members' Enclosure, tickets for whom can be obtained from Messrs. Linstead & Davis at \$5. each up to FRIDAY April 18th.

The Stewards invite the Ladies of Hongkong to be present.

Hongkong, 9th April, 1924.

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that scrip No. 4227 for 500 shares Ewo Cotton Mills Ltd. in the name of Mr. EZRA ABRAHAM of Hongkong together with a duly executed transfer deed purporting to assign the said shares has been lost.

The said shares are the property of the undersigned and application has been duly made to the Company for the issue of a duplicate scrip.

The public is therefore warned against dealing with the said shares without reference to the undersigned. Any person having any knowledge as to the whereabouts of the said scrip is asked to communicate with the undersigned.

Messrs. ELLIS & CO.
Hongkong, 9th April, 1924.

NOTIFICATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a PUBLIC AUCTION will be held at the Treasury Office on THURSDAY, 15th MAY, 1924, at 11 A.M. for the sale of the OPIUM MONOPOLY in Macao, for a period of three years extending from 1st July, 1924, to 30th June, 1927.

Particulars as to the condition of sale may be seen at the Portuguese Consulate in Hongkong and at the Treasury Office. Dated at the Treasury Office of the Province of Macao, the 31st March, 1924.

(S) ANTONIO DE MEIRELLES,
Director.
Hongkong, 10th April, 1924.

MACAO GOVERNMENT.

SALE OF ONE MOTOR BOAT AND THE POLICE LAUNCH "ALMIRANTE LACERDA".

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on the 20th MAY Next, at 2.30 p.m., WILL BE SOLD at the Macao Naval Yard, the undermentioned Vessels, which are no longer suitable for the Naval Service of this Colony: HULL, ENGINES AND BOILERS OF THE POLICE LAUNCH "ALMIRANTE LACERDA" with the following characteristics:

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The above boats can be inspected at the Macao Naval Yard any day and are to be sold under the present conditions:

The Tenders for the Boats shall be sealed and sent to this Office up to the 19th MAY, 1924.

The said Tenders must be accompanied by a Remittance of \$50.00 for the Launch "Almirante Lacerda" and \$50.00 for the Motor-boat which will be returned to Unsuccessful bidders after the Auction.

The Balance of the Purchase Money must be paid by the Successful Bidders within 24 hours from the Auction, and the Boats removed within 8 Days.

OTHER MATERIALS considered unsuitable for the said Naval Yard, will be put up to Public Auction on the occasion, and the Removal of the same must be immediately after the Payment.

Sociedade de Administracao e Com-tabilidade da Marinha Colonial em Macau, 5 de Abril de 1924.

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* 1. Thursday, 17th April.

Ng Sze Kwong and C. Choa v.

R. E. Worthington and F. A.

Redmond.

* 2. Tuesday 22nd April.

Semi-Final Doubles (H.D. & O.

v. S. A. and A. Ramjahn).

* 3. Wednesday, 23rd April.

Semi-Final Doubles.

* 4. Thursday, 24th April.

Semi-Final Singles.

* 5. Friday, 25th April.

Semi-Final Singles. (H.W.D.

Rumjahn v. Winner Ng Sze Kong

and T. Honda).

* 6. Monday, 28th April.

Final Doubles.

* 7. Wednesday, 30th April.

Final Singles.

All the above matches will be

played on the Stand Court.

Seats will be reserved for those

matches marked * (Nos. 1, 2, 5, 6, 7).

Members, Subscribers and those

holding "Privilege Tickets" may

book seats at the Pavillon up to 8

p.m. on Tuesday, 15th April.

Booking thereafter will be at

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NOTICE.

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America in my favour and that this

PASSPORT will be of no value to

any other person as the United States

MAIL WEEK NEWS.

ITEMS FROM FAR AND

NEAR.

Siam has signed a treaty with Germany, and diplomatic relations between the two countries will now be resumed.

Miss Peggy Rush, the actress, who in private life is Viscountess Dunsford, was operated on for appendicitis.

Birmingham, City Council is to be asked to appoint as city organist Mr. G. D. Cunningham, organist of St. Alban's Church, Holbourn, E.C.

The London-Manchester Air Service, which has been suspended for about three months owing to a shortage of machines, has been reopened.

At the age of 103 Mrs. Emma Steedon, of Woodcote Cottage near Goodwood, has died. She read newspapers and magazines up to the time of her death.

A Russian commercial mission is expected at Athens with a mobile exhibition of Russian goods with a view to establishing connection in the markets of the Near East.

For driving a motor-car at more than 43 miles an hour in Hyde Park, Sir John Peniston Milbanke was fined 50 at Marlborough-street and his licence endorsed.

An extension of the closing hours from 10 p.m. to 10.30 p.m. in the Thames Valley during the summer season was granted by the Spelthorne licensing magistrates.

The sudden illness of about 20 people in Columbia-street, Bradford, is stated to be due to influenza and not as was supposed, to fumes from a corporation refuse tip.

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DEATHS.

BUCK.—On April 9, 1924, at Shanghai, Morton Ward Buck, of Messrs. Sulzer Bros., aged 43 years.

LOPES.—On April 10, 1924, at Shanghai, Eugénie Josie, at the age of 47.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT.

Mrs. Sin Tak-fan and Family thank all friends for their many kind expressions of sympathy in their recent sad bereavement.

The China Mail.

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, APRIL 15, 1924

WANTED—AN AEROPLANE SERVICE.

The hubbub and excitement over the latest pirate attack have now largely died down, thanks to the prompt action taken to provide naval escorts. These escorts should do much towards helping to eradicate the piracy evil, but it would be folly to imagine that they will bring complete security.

aeroplane service and be as silent as the Sphinx. But until we have some such assurance we shall continue to voice the need, convinced that it cannot be neglected indefinitely, except with grave detriment to the Colony's welfare.

Motor Bus Supervision.

It is well that those who presumably know something of the functions of bus construction, and in view of the accidents which have taken place, suggest that more adequate provision be made for supervision, than is now the case. The calls upon our traffic department must be terrific. We believe there is only one Traffic Inspector who, daily, and between certain hours, is motor-cycled round the Colony. His duties, we think we are right in saying, include the oversight of chairs and richas, any of which he may condemn if he considers them unsatisfactory. He issues licences to those deemed capable of driving motor cars and motor-bicycles, but whether applicants for these things have to give actual proof of their prowess we are not certain. Not so long since, the then head of the Fire Brigade tested would-be motor-car drivers. The Inspector directs that motor vehicles be kept clean and the suggestion now being made is that he or someone else be empowered to inspect the construction of them and to see that they are kept in a state of order that will militate more and more against serious accidents. The tide of progress is best seen in the mechanical devices with which humanity surrounds itself. Motor-ing in its different services, is such a necessity of the age, that the suggestion now made is not merely opportune, but wise.

\$400 p.a.

The present Socialist Government has lost no time in passing through the House of Commons, legislation permitting members of Parliament to travel from their Constituencies to the House, and back again free of charge. This piece of "help-yourself" business is estimated to cost £70,000 a year—not much when it is said quickly. It is a logical outcome of voting members £400 per annum, and is probably but a prelude to the granting of free postage of the correspondence entailed in being a member of Parliament. Crusted Tories and Liberals of the old school now in their graves, would probably rise in them could they, but know the pass things have come to in being privileged to write M.P. after a name. Hitherto the question of money has been a bar to many able men entering a Parliament and doubtless the country has suffered accordingly. The payment of £400 a year made things easier, and undoubtedly has helped the Labour party, who, otherwise would have had to find money to subsidise their members, or those whose income was limited. The present system of payment has this disadvantage, that it is likely to attract the windy demagogue who sees an easy way of earning a reasonable living and not a little notoriety, with the possibility of perhaps a safe Government job. Free railway rides and postage will make the £400 absolutely net—probably free from income tax—and when a law is passed enacting that candidates parliamentary expenses be paid by the State we shall have reached that state of Socialistic imbecility which will make the question of the old-time idea of Localism—share and share alike—look ridiculous. The only thing to do now is to pay our Legislative Councillors.

The poster was
ANSWERED. very big and
bright and it

AFTER DEATH, WHAT?
Immediately underneath was:
ALL SEATS FREE, NO COLLEC-
TION.

Here are some verses
AT TEN. by a girl of ten, which
have simplicity and
sincerity, the elements of good
poetry:

The moon is smiling down
On me, and all the world.
On wood and sea and town,
In the leaves of the tree-tops
curled.
I stood in the cold, dark night,
I stood in the woodland
there,
And looking up at the silver
light,
I closed my hands in prayer.
I love the cold, dark night,
With the starbeams in the
sky.
I gaze up at their golden light,
And at the moon on high.

Mr. Maurice "Schles-
inger," Manchester,
banker, left £1,000 to
each of three granddaughters
(when and if each marries a man
of Jewish birth and faith) and to
his granddaughter Elsa Frischman
an old Austrian ducal, "which I
prize very much" to show my ap-
preciation of the fact she has been
brought up in strict accordance
with the Jewish faith. He left
£45,000.

Mr. Henry Joseph Walklate
Martin, M.R.C.S., of 3, De La
Warr Court, Bexhill, Sussex, left to
Miss E. M. Baker, of Mill Hill, "in
recognition of many years' over-
work for me, weekdays and Sun-
days, when I was in practice at
Mill Hill," his freehold house.
His estate amounted to £138,14.

The "Flying
Scotsman" which
leaves Charing
Cross each morning at 10 o'clock
has been equipped with a special
coach fitted to show cinema films.
The idea of course is to beguile
the time of those who travel the
long journey north. This might
very well be copied on the Kow-
loon-Canton journey. We have
not yet heard anyone enthuse on
the scenery after the train leaves
Fanning. It is flat and tiresome.
The introduction of a film or two
would certainly make the journey
less tedious. Of course serious
censorship would have to be in-
troduced. It would never do for
instance, to show films of train
hold-ups.

Here is a Limerick
A LIM perpetrated by an under-
graduate forty years
ago:
I go every day to my crammer
And he marks all my verses
with 'gamma';
While that girl over there
Gets 'alpha plus' easily, —her.

GOOD
READING
An action has been
heard in the Probate
Court in which the
issue was the sanity
of the testator. A judge ad-
dressing an alienist said: "Here you
have a man who read only the
best novels, took an interest in
sport and politics, and in wild
flowers and music. Do you find
them all combined in an imbecile?
—It is a question of degree. He
might have a slight interest in
them. Such a man might be con-
sidered imbecile. The only man I
ever heard of who read the
Encyclopaedia Britannica from
beginning to end was found
insane in an asylum. (Laughter.)
Is it any sign of insanity in
Scotland to read the whole of
Scott's works? (Laughter.)—Oh,
no."

A K.C.—I should think an
encyclopedia dull reading.
His Lordship.—Not at all. On
a desert island with the Oxford
Dictionary you could not be better
provided with good reading.
(Laughter.)

Is the age of honorary
\$300.
service going out of
fashion? Have we to
entice people with honorariums
in order to get certain work done?
Is the idea of an honorarium a
recognition of the fact that work
done has been exceptional and a
little beyond that which is
generally given by those who act
as honorary secretaries and
honorary treasurers? The ques-
tions assert themselves by reason
of the E.A.S.M.A. so far unsuccess-
ful effort to find a member from
amongst themselves willing to act
as honorary secretary in spite of
the offer of an honorarium of \$300
per annum.

Eight Justices of the
J.P.'s. Peace—the great unpaid
is our term for them—
have been appointed. Four are
official and four are non-official.
It is interesting to note that of the
four official, three bear names
requiring a hyphen. The four
non-official have not a hyphen
between them!

A learned lecturer
THE ANT. has likened the
Chinese to ants.
He said that the Chinese were
really the supermen of the world,
for in emigrating to other lands,
unlike the Europeans, they did
not first try to find out the kindest
climate and the comforts in the
unknown land, but they went
there willing to undergo all
sacrifices and to work in co-opera-
tion with the natives. The name
of the gentlemen who has dis-
covered the world's supermen is
Dr. Trinidad de Tavera. He
should go far.

To-day's Poem.

(To My Old Fiddle.)
"For it can sob, an' moan, an' sigh,
An' it can put an' whimper;
An' it can coax an' wheedle sly,
An' it can hiss and slither;
An' it can laugh, an' crow, an'
shout,
An' it can wail so keen, oh,
Folk cannot see their gate about
For th' wayter's their e'en, oh!
Th' wood were green I' fairy-land
That th' bits o' pegs were made
on."

An' every nook on't thrills wi' life
The minute that it's played on:
For th' younger end o' fairy-folk,
They're dancin' upo' th' bridge
on't;
They're caperin' upo' th' fiddle-
bow
An' ridin' upo' th' ridge on't!"
E. Waugh.

WEATHER CALENDAR.

APRIL 15.

1798. The evening very stormy,
so we staid within doors.
Mary Wollstonecraft's life,
etc., came.—Dorothy Words-
worth.

JOY OF THE WORK.

On the lower levels there is no
adaptation; our selfish desires are
at odds with nature, we are out
for a good time and get no re-
sponse; . . . but the keynote of
the higher level is joy—the joy
of the labourer who has found his
work, of the lover who has seen
his object, of the hero who has
received his commission.
—L. P. Jacks.

SHADOWS BEFORE.

Coming Events Advertised
In The Mail.

ENTERTAINMENTS.

April 15.—Coronet Theatre;
"Poor Men's Wives."
April 15.—Star Theatre, Kowloon;
Arthur Boucher in "The Great
Day."

April 15.—World Theatre;
"Herbert Rawlinson" in "His
Mystery Girl."

MISSION.
April 15.—Sermons for a Len-
ten Mission by Rev. R. B. Schmitt,
S.J., at the Cathedral of the Im-
maculate Conception, 6 p.m.

GOOD FRIDAY.
April 18.—St. John's Cathedral
special Choir of 50 voices will sing
selections from Handel's "Mes-
siah."

SOCIAL.
April 23.—Carnival at Repulse
Bay Hotel.

April 26.—Dance at Peak Club,
9.15 p.m.

SPORT.
April 16.—Challenge round of the
Billiards Championship of the Co-
lonial V.R.C. from 6 to 9 p.m.
April 17.—H.K.C.C. Tennis
Tournament: Ng Sze-kwong and
C. Choa v. R. E. Worthington and
F. A. Redmond.
April 19 and 21.—H.K. Jockey
Club 2nd extra race meetings.

April 26.—Sixth tournament of
the Hongkong Boxing Assn. at
Theatre Royal, 9.15 p.m.

PUBLIC AUCTION.
June 11.—Lamport Bros. at
the premises of the H.K. Tramway
Co., Ltd., Bowrington Canal Rd.,
East, steam driven electric gener-
ating plant, 3 p.m.

SALE.
April 16.—Sale of all stock in
Ladies' Dept. of Messrs. Hawthorne
& Pearson.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Possession of seditious matter
contained in a book printed in
1916 was the charge preferred
against Kapur Singh, a Sikh arrival
from Shanghai. The prosecuting
officer stated in Court that the book
was highly prejudicial to the in-
terests of Great Britain. Defen-
dant's excuse was that he had been
given the book to write the time
away on his voyage home. He
had never read it and was not
aware of its contents. A fine of
\$100 (or six week's jail) was im-
posed.

On board the pirated Shamsutpo
ferry "Kwong Shun" an unsigned
Chinese letter has been found
with a written request that it be
handed over to the relatives of the
second coxswain, the coxswain's
son and a seaman, who were
killed by the pirates when the
latter discarded the launch. The
letter was discovered pushed
underneath one of the seats and
has been delivered to the addres-
sées by the ferry company. Three
hundred dollars, opium and
slipgates are demanded to open
negotiations for ransom.

That he was robbed of Gold
\$1,700 by a richa coo is alleged
by Mr. James Hardie, one of the
"Empress of Canada" tourists
who arrived here yesterday. His
report to the police in that he
engaged a cab No. 1,250 which
took him up Kennedy Road to the
laundries where the vehicle stopped
and he gave the puller a chew of
tobacco. The coo, says Mr.
Hardie, took the opportunity to
snatch his wallet containing the
notes and make off by way of
Queen's Road East. Inquiries
were made at the Traffic Office
this morning when it was as-
certained that there is no richa
numbered 1,250, the highest being
1,245. The Police are investigat-
ing.

"HEUNGSHAN" MISHAP.

FINDING OF THE COURT.

CAPTAIN "SEVERELY
CENSURED."

Should Have Ascertained Position.

Captain R. D. Thomas, Master
of the "Heungshan," was held
responsible for the accident and
severely censured by the Court of
Inquiry which last week investi-
gated the stranding of the
steamer near Canton and an-
nounced its finding this morning.

The members of the Court
were:—Lieut. Commr. Conway
Hake, R.N.R. (President), Lieut.
Commr. F. H. Dawson, R.N.
(H.M.S. "Moorhen"), Captain W.
Davison (Marine Superintendent
of the C.P.S.), Captain P. Going
(s.s. "Charles Hardouin") and
Captain J. H. Woolcott (s.s.
"Paul Beau").

Mr. G. K. Hall Brutton appear-
ed at the inquiry for the China
Coast Officers' Guild and for Capt.
Thomas, at whose request the
enquiry was held while the
Navigation and General Insurance
Company were represented by Mr.
D. H. Blake. Mr. Eldon Potter
represented the "Heungshan's"
owners, the Hongkong, Canton &
Shanghai Steamboat Company.

When the Court assembled at
the Marine Court this morning,
Mr. Hall Brutton mentioned that
further evidence which it had not
been possible to obtain before had
now come to hand on the question
of the light on Junk Rock. It now
appeared that the steamer ahead
of the "Heungshan" was not the
"Foo Shing," as was supposed, but
another steamer whose Captain
could be called to give evidence.

The President said that the
Court had considered the matter
and had decided that it had no
bearing on their decision in the
finding.

The Finding.
The President then announced
the finding of the Court as
follows:—

"We find that the British River
s.s. "Heungshan," Official No.
96,855 of Hongkong, of which
Reginald D. Thomas (Certificate
of Competency No. 1010 Hong-
kong) was Master, left Hongkong
at 10 p.m. on February 28, 1924,
with cargo, mails, 600 passengers
and a crew of 80 bound for
Canton. At 4.51 a.m. on February
29, 1924, the ship struck Junk
Rock and was subsequently beached
on the North Bank of the River
where she now lies a total loss.

The ship proceeded by the usual
routes experiencing intermittent
fog and passed through the Colli-
son Reach Barrier at 4.32 a.m. on
February 29. The weather was
then foggy with a visibility of
about quarter of a mile. The
banks of the River could not be
clearly seen and when off Tai Shek
Tan we find that the position of
the ship was not known to any
degree of accuracy. The lead was
not used. This, we consider, was
wrong, as soundings would have
materially helped to define the
ship's position. The ship con-
tinued at slow speed, and, when
known to be off the village of Sun
Chu at a distance of less than
quarter of a mile from the Junk
Rock; the position of the ship still
not being accurately known and
the Light on Junk Rock Buoy not
having been seen we consider the
Master should have acted immedi-
ately, stopped the ship and ascer-
tained his position with regard to
this known danger. His failure to
do this, is, in our opinion, the
cause of the accident and in this
we find the Master guilty of a
wrongful act.

A member of the crew, an un-
licensed person, was acting as
Pilot and the Court are of the
opinion that he cannot in any way
be held to blame for the accident.
Taking into consideration the
Master's long and good record;
that after the ship struck every-
thing was done by him in a
seamanlike manner, and the
transfer of the passengers and
crew effected without accident or
panic, the Court adjudge the
Master, R. D. Thomas, to be
severely censured."

Death from natural causes
after cardiac failure due to
tuberculosis was the verdict
returned by a jury who sat before
Major C. Willson, as Coroner
yesterday, to inquire into the death
in jail of a prisoner who was
undergoing sentence for an armed
robbery in 1918.

In avoiding some pedestrians
on Praya East yesterday evening,
a European motor-cyclist was
thrown off his machine through
running into a tram. Fortunately,
the motorman pulled up the tram
in about two feet but not before
cycle and rider had been weared
under the front of the tram. The
cycle was badly damaged. The
European was taken home by a
passing car.

PIRACY EVIL.

KONGMOON MERCHANTS' MEASURES.

ARMED LAUNCH CONVOYS.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Pakkai, Kongmoon, April 12.
Seventy of the passengers were
taken captives when the Shihung
Kongmoon junk-ferry was pirated.
Thirty were ultimately released as
they were too poor to pay ransom.

Owing to the prevalence of
piracy, merchants have been per-
mitted to organise armed launch
convoys for junks and ferries ply-
ing between Canton, Fatsan,
Samahui and Kongmoon.

Unless sufficient funds are
forthcoming to support the
Coastal Defence Bureau at Wham-
poa, the headquarters will be
moved back to Pakkai where funds
can be obtained from the West
River Commissioner.

H.M.S. "Tarantula" arrived
here and left in company with the
"Cicada." The only Chinese gun-
boat in port is the "Kwong Hung."
A part of the 1st division under
Wong Ming-tong at Do Sing has
mutinied. It is anticipated that
open conflict will soon break out
between Wong Ming-tong, Lam
She-nai and the 1st division
under Leung Hung-kai at Kong-
moon and Sunning. Some of
Wong's troops were recently dis-
armed by the 1st division. Leung
has returned from the Yeungkong
border in connection, it is sur-
mised, with the anticipated
trouble.

Mr. H. Smith, the Customs'
Tidesurveyor (Harbour Master)
has been transferred and will be
succeeded by Mr. E. O. Rare from
leave.

The embargo on the export of
silver coins has been rescinded.
Pakkai and H.M.S. "Tarantula"
drew 5.5 at football match.

Hail fell for a few minutes in
Hokshan. At Shaping tobacco
crops were damaged.

Two buildings have been de-
stroyed by fire at Kongmoon.

\$6,000 LAUNDRY FIRE.

ARMY AND NAVY MEN AFFECTED.

CLOTHING DESTROYED.

Shortly after midnight last
night, fire broke out at No. 85,
Praya East, the ground floor of
which is used as a laundry. When
the brigade arrived on the scene
it was noticed that the rear of the
building was alight and the three
floors (used as dwellings) were
likely to become involved.

Ultimately the fire was put out.
The ground floor, where the fire
started was damaged as were the
window and door frames of the
upper storeys. It is believed that
some clothing which was left to
hang over a stove to dry, became
ignited and this caused the out-
break. The laundry master re-
ports that \$6,000 worth of clothes
were damaged, the majority of
which belonged to the Army and
Navy. No insurance was effected
on the clothing.

LENTEN MISSION.

"There is no form of affection
more beautiful and more wonderful
than the love of a mother for her
child. If he is sick, she will sit
patiently by his bedside, attend to
all his little wishes and pass sleep-
less nights without a murmur.
And when that son grows up and
becomes ungrateful to her, still
that love which she bears in her
heart for him never dies. But all
this affection of the mother for
her child is insignificant compared
to the love which our Lord Jesus
Christ has for mankind. Witness
the great love and honour He
rendered while on earth and the
abundant satisfaction He gave to
Almighty God by which he paid
the debt of their sins. It was His
ardent love that caused Him to do
all this, and what does he receive
in return? Not a sign of recogni-
tion! Having said this, the
preacher on the sixth day of his
Mission, spoke on the great mercy
of our Lord, and of His Infinite
Wisdom, and then recounted all
the remarkable things that God
created on earth for the benefit of
His creatures.

New York, April 14.—By
defeating Maroccy, whilst Can-
blanca only drew with Yates,
Doctor Lasker practically made
certain of winning the first prize in
the Chess Tournament. In order
to win the first prize, Capablanca
must win, and Lasker lose, both
their remaining games. Edward
Lasker, by surprisingly defeating
Reit, took fourth place, and Reit
is now fifth. Reiter's American
Service.

JAPAN'S "IMPROPER" NOTE.

IMMIGRATION CONTROVERSY.

SENATORS RESENT VEILED THREAT.

(Reuter's American Service.)

WASHINGTON, April 15.—During the immigration debate in the Senate, Senator Lodge regretfully declared that the Japanese note was an improper one to have been addressed by the representative of one great country to another and friendly one.

Senator Lodge contended that the question of immigration was the greatest of fundamental rights.

He also objected to the note because it contained a veiled threat.

Senator Borah and other Republicans and Democrats supported Senator Lodge's views.

Japan lodged a vigorous protest against the proposal before Congress further to restrict Japanese immigration.

London, April 14.—The Morning Post's Washington correspondent commenting upon the Japanese Note, says that rarely has a great Power sent another such a stiff Note. He points out that Mr. Hughes sympathises with the Japanese position and previously urged the House to expunge obnoxious provisions. Many Senators see the impolicy of needlessly irritating Japan and urged Mr. Hanjira's warning should not be taken lightly; but Californian Senators are rabid on the subject and have the support of other Pacific Coast Senators, who say nothing is to be feared. The correspondent states the belief prevails that Japan will institute reprisals which will not only disturb Japanese and American commercial relations but have a serious bearing on the entire commercial and political relations of the Far East.

[Courtesy Daily Bulletin.]

Tokyo, April 14.—Mr. Hanjira's Note to Mr. Hughes, U. S. Secretary of State, which has been published here, embodies the methods whereby Japan is restricting emigration to the United States under the "gentlemen's agreement" respecting the issuance of passports and the close supervision of same. The passports are issued to those labourers skilled and unskilled only who "have been" previously domiciled in America, and to their parents, wives and children under 20 years of age, and then only after the production of definite proofs of their identity. Passports to "picture brides" have not been issued since March 1, 1920.

Similar methods are being applied in Hawaii and foreign territories contiguous to the United States with a view to preventing surreptitious entry.

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Mr. R. J. Birbeck returned to the Colony by the s.s. "Patroclus."

A Daily Bulletin cable reports that Dr. Rabindranath Tagore has arrived at Shanghai en route to Peking, where he will deliver a series of lectures on philosophy.

A Reuter cable from Paris announces the death of Prince Roland Bonaparte, son of Prince Pierre-Napoléon, who was 3rd son of Prince Lucien, a son of Napoleon I, and Mlle. Ruffin. Educated at Lycée St. Louis and St. Cyr, Prince Roland was made Hon. D. Sc. Upsala and Cambridge. He was twice President of the French Geographical Society, being much interested in travel and scientific research, and was a prolific author of books of travel and science. He was in his 66th year.

CORRESPONDENCE.

S.P.C.A.

(To the Editor of the "China Mail.")

Dear Sir,—In forwarding you the Inspectors' Reports for March and April I also add a summary of prosecutions by the Police which include four cases of causing needless cruelty to chickens in Hongkong and Kowloon and one case of cruelty to pigs at Yau-mai Railway Station.

My committee are now negotiating with the Government as to the site for, and the erection of a Dogs' Home and trust that in the near future they will be able to report that the Home has been started.

We now operate a Lethal Chamber for the destruction of cats and dogs so that such animals as have to be destroyed may be done so with the minimum of pain and suffering. It only takes a few seconds before the animal is dead. Any one having animals which they wish destroyed may either send them direct to Mr. Lubatti at the Government Analyst's Office, High Street, the second turning past No. 8 Police Station, Bonham Road, or communicate with Inspector Fisher, Telephone C. 3555, who will arrange for a coolie to fetch the animal. The charge for destroying a cat is \$1, a small dog \$1 and a large dog \$2. If fetched by coolie, \$1 extra in Hongkong and \$2 in Kowloon.

A comprehensive set of laws regulating cruelty to animals has been drawn up by Messrs. Pollock and Dyer Ball and my committee trust that they may soon become law, as the present laws are very vague and incomplete.

Particular attention is being paid to the conditions of birds and animals which are confined for sale in the birdshops, and we have already got conditions considerably improved.

A gift of \$10,000 has been made by Lady Clara Ho Tung as an endowment fund for running the

Dog's Home which, with the approval of the Government, it is the committee's intention to take over and run as soon as built. Another gift of \$30 has been made through Mr. Pollock towards the work of the Society by a lady in England.

The subscription to the Society is \$2 per annum, children \$1, and payment of a sum of \$50 entitles one to become a life member.

My committee are anxious to appoint a third inspector as they feel that the good work done by our two inspectors in the prevention of cruelty to animals, more by educational methods than prosecutions, would be further increased had we another man who could attend to some of the outlying districts which at present can receive but little attention.

Contributions to the Society will be gladly received by the Hon. Treasurer, Mr. O. Skinner, c/o The Hongkong and Shanghai Bank.

B. L. FROST.

[The Inspectors' reports have been unavoidably held over until to-morrow's issue.]

MERELY BOOST.

Europeans may often have wondered what Chinese street criers speak about with sub-eloquence. More often than not they are patent medicine peddlars who use politics to the necessity of keeping fit.

One of them was charged before Mr. R. E. Lindsell this morning with hawking without a licence. By way of explanation he told the Magistrate that he was not hawking but merely expounding the wonders of his wares. His Worship told the man that he could best his medicines as much as he liked but he could not sell them without a licence. He imposed a fine of \$4.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Sandford and Mr. Leonard Yates returned to the Colony yesterday by the "Empress of Canada."

"PIRACY NERVES."

HONGKONG CHINESE CONCERNED.

STARTLING RUMOURS.

STORIES OF HORDES WITH ARTILLERY.

Rumour was busy in Chinese business circles yesterday that the Kongmoon steamer officers refused to sail because intelligence had been received here to the effect that the pirates who had beaten an ignominious retreat from the "Tai Lee" were massing in strength and would bombard merchant vessels passing their hunting-ground. Asked how the "tip" got to Hongkong, some people replied that the Chinese crews had got wind of the posting of field-pieces on the surrounding heights and the latter had informed their officers who, in turn, refused to sail unless protection was forthcoming from the Naval authorities.

An old-established Chinese merchant, whose up-country branches have had forced transactions with bandits expressed the view that unless "big" gunboats accompanied the convoys, the pirates would still make sorties against the river-steamers. Even if they failed to secure control of any one vessel they would pester passing ships by sniping and taking pot shots with mountain artillery which he emphatically stated they had in their possession, even if they only had obsolete patterns. In this connection the merchant said that he was rather doubtful of the effect, or rather, the prestige, armed launches would have in comparison with gunboats. He said that unless the launches were equipped with wireless and gunboats were near at hand, the pirates would make it their policy to persecute the steamers until they were paid "safe conduct" money as is the case with small trading craft in the river and delta.

Our informant pointed out that the territory in which the last outrage was committed is under "mixed" jurisdiction, i.e., it was on the borders of three districts (Sun Wui, Shun Tak and Heung Shan). He suggests that as all three are ruled by governors under Dr. Sun Yat-sen, overtures to the Generalissimo might have some effect. The recent rounding up of pirates in the neighbourhood of Cheung Chau forts by Li Fook-lum was directly attributable, he said, to a request by the Hongkong Government, after receipt of information, to Dr. Sun. If the three respective local commanders were told that it was imperative for the Pak Fa Tau pass to be cleared, the work would be done without delay as anything to establish friendly relations with Hongkong would be welcomed by Canton.

In connection with the foregoing rumours, it is disquieting to note the uneasiness felt by the better-class Chinese in the Colony. Under ordinary circumstances, many return to their native villages during the Easter holidays for a belated visit to the ancestral tombs and others go if only to be with their own people. This year very many have refrained from leaving Hongkong and Friday night's outrage has added to the numbers. One who is a solicitor's clerk and has been in the Colony

for over twenty years, was worrying over the likelihood of piracy, being kidnapped for ransom, shot or robbed if he ventured anywhere during the holidays.

"TAI LEE'S" LOCKS.

THE DUPLICATE KEYS.

In connection with the "Tai Lee" attack it is interesting to recall that only about a week ago a set of duplicate keys was discovered on the "Tai Lee." It is alleged that this set could open practically every grille and barrier on the ship. The existence of this set of keys was attributed to the succession of changes in the command and personnel of the ship after the last piracy. At any rate, new locks had to be fitted through-out before the steamer left Hongkong.

RIVEK STEAMER RUMPUS.

KONGMOON SAILINGS RESUMED.

Apparently satisfied with the arrangements made for their protection, the river steamers "San Nam Hoi," "On Lee," "Leung Kwong" and "Kwong Fook Cheung" sailed for Kongmoon last night.

The "Tai Lee," "Sunning" and "Chung On," which missed their usual trip on Sunday, are to sail this evening.

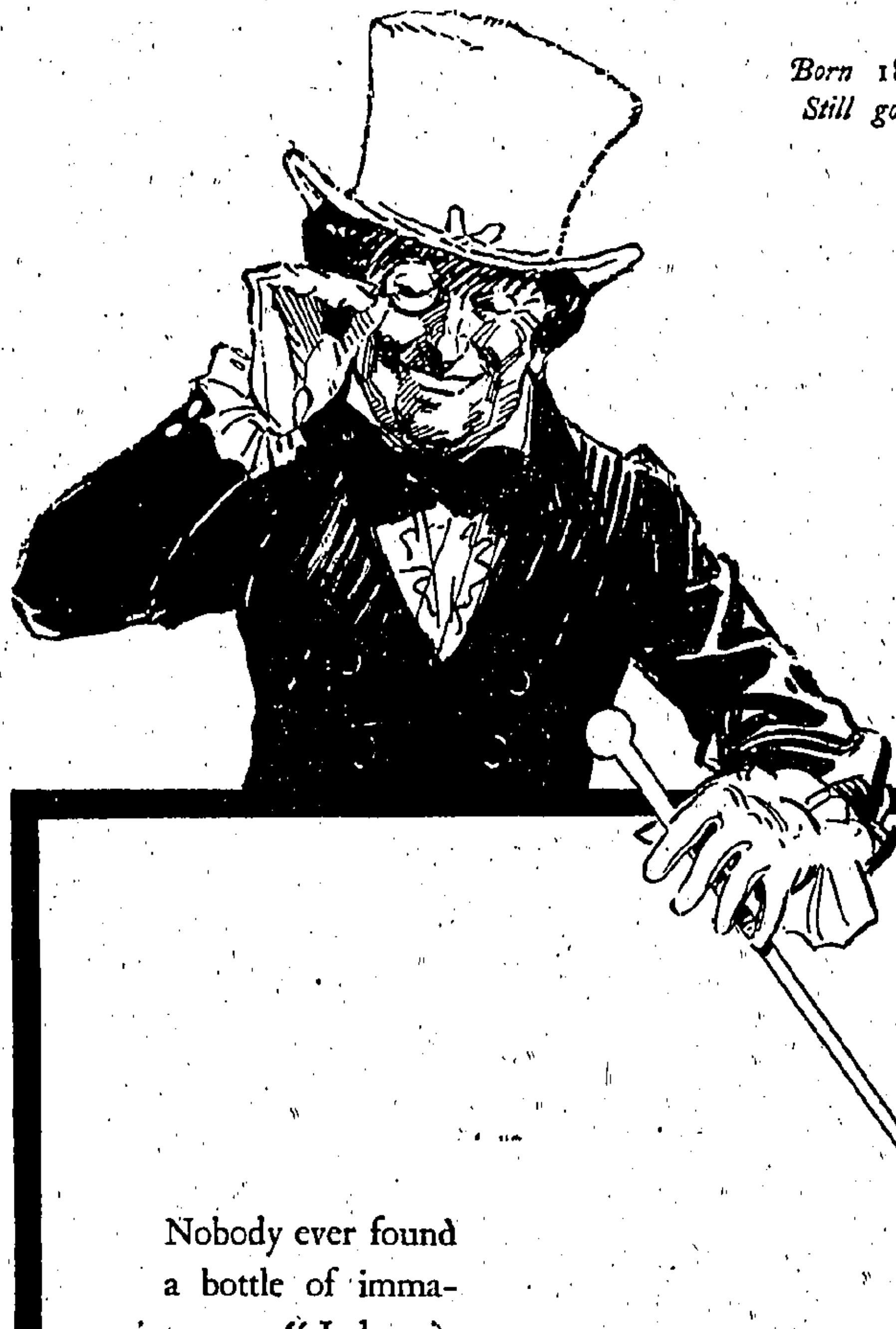
Questioned this morning, the assistant secretary of the China Coast Officers Guild (Mr. T. T. Laurensen) said that as far as he knew everything was now going along satisfactorily.

SHIPS' OFFICERS' DUTIES.

HOME PAPER'S COMMENT.

From time immemorial merchant seamen have been prepared to defend their ships against attacks, whether of enemies of their own country or those enemies of all countries, the pirates, comments the Liverpool *Journal of Commerce*. That the present generation are no exception was proved time and again during the late war, and, bearing this fact in mind, at first sight it may seem a little peculiar that officers on the China coast should object to the passing of regulations requiring them to fight their ships. When the special circumstances are taken into account the difficulty is cleared up, for these modern pirates do not act in accordance with the traditions of their predecessors. Against an actual attack from another vessel no doubt the British officers would resist to the uttermost, for their enemy would be clearly defined, and could be fought without fear of injuring persons other than those engaged in the struggle. With the modern pirates the positions are reversed. Instead of attacking from another ship they prefer to board the ship selected as passengers, carefully concealing such arms as they may carry. Or better still (from their point of view), to have them conveyed on board by women with whom, apparently, they have no concern. Distributed throughout the ship, at a pre-arranged signal from peaceful passengers, they change to armed desperados, intent only upon loot.

How are such attacks to be resisted? Clearly it is impossible for the officers, even if they go armed both on and off duty, to commence indiscriminate shooting in the hope that some of the persons hit may belong to the piratical gang. Equally impossible is it to make effective resistance when an apparently innocent passenger, who has been peacefully admiring the view, suddenly presents a pistol, and orders the officer to put up his hands. To refuse in a position is equivalent to suicide; for if matters do not go as planned; and the gang are captured, the penalty for piracy is almost certain. Whether anyone has been killed or not is not likely to make much difference. If any doubt exists upon the readiness of the attacking parties to go to extreme lengths, a review of recent attacks in which raiders have not hesitated to shoot when resistance has been encountered, will remove them. To place the onus of repelling attacks upon the officers, unless adequate means are provided for their defence, is merely begging the question, and it is not surprising that British officers engaged in Chinese coastwise trade regard themselves as unfairly treated.



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ARABIA MARU Saturday, 17th May.
NEW YORK - Via Singapore, San Francisco and Panama.
HAYANA MARU Beginning of May.
JAPAN PORTS - Moji, Kobe, Osaka, Yokohama and Nagoya.
ANDER MARU Thursday, 17th April.
SUNARA MARU Wednesday, 20th April.
ARABIA MARU Saturday, 17th May.
KELUNG - Via Swatow and Amoy.
KALJO MARU Sunday, 10th April, at 11 a.m.
AMARUNA MARU Sunday, 27th April, at 11 a.m.
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ST. GEORGE'S SOCIETY.

MR. H. W. BIRD IS ELECTED THE NEW PRESIDENT.

Mr. H. W. Bird was elected President of the Society of St. George, Hongkong, at the annual meeting held at the City Hall yesterday. Mr. D. G. M. Bernard was in the chair and was supported by His Honour Mr. Justice Gompertz, the Hon. Mr. P. H. Holyoak, Mr. R. H. B. Hancock (Past President), Mr. G. H. Piercy, Hon. Secretary, and the following members of the Committee: Mr. C. G. Alabaster, K.C., Lieut.-Col. L. G. Bird, Mr. P. S. Cassidy, Mr. H. B. Dowbiggin, Mr. W. A. Dowley, Mr. W. J. Eldridge and Mr. V. M. Grayburn. There were also present Messrs. M. E. F. Airey, F. A. Wells, E. F. Aucott, J. Scott Harston, W. E. L. Shenton, A. Hicks, A. K. Raven, C. B. Raven, C. Dickens, W. O. Barrington, Dr. M. Harston and the Rev. V. H. Copley Moyle.

Presenting the annual report and statement of accounts, the Chairman said:-
I do not think there is anything particular in the accounts that calls for explanation. Our charitable gifts amount to only \$10,348.99 as compared with \$2,850.03 in the previous year, which is due to the fewer calls made upon us locally. The balance carried forward is \$6,660.75 which is \$14.41 less than was brought forward from 1922.
A grant was made again last year to the Hon. Mr. Irving, Director of Education, for prizes for patriotic essays in recognition of St. George's Day for children in British Schools. Your Committee, however, do not consider this has been a success and think that it should be discontinued in future.

The observance of St. George's Day last April was, as usual, confined to an interchange of greetings between fraternal Societies, a grant of prizes to school children to which I have already referred, and a presentation of roses to Lady Stubbs. There is a feeling that there should be a greater observance of the day in the Colony, and a concert or similar entertainment has been suggested. I commend this to the attention of the incoming Committee who will doubtless be glad to hear views expressed on the subject at this meeting.
During the year 62 new members joined the Society, but it is with sincere regret that I have to record the death of so many of our members since our last report. The list includes:- Mr. H. S. Burleigh, Mr. G. A. Chadwick, Mr. H. Day, Mr. A. Leon, Mr. J. P. H. Day, Mr. H. W. Sassoon, Mr. J. W. White, Mr. C. E. Warren and Mr. M. J. Wells, and we extend our deepest sympathy to their relatives.

The Annual Ball held on the 4th January was again a great success and was attended by over 1,000 people. Mr. H. E. Holland acted as Hon. Secretary for the Ball, and we are much indebted to him for his hard work which contributed in no small measure to the success of the evening. (Applause.)
I wish again to tender our hearty thanks to Mr. R. A. Nicholson for the fine display of roses on the President's table, which, as on previous occasions, was one of the features of the decorations. (Applause)-also to the Chairman and members of the Sub-Committee who made all the arrangements and worked so energetically and unsparringly for the comfort and enjoyment of our guests. I am sorry to say that Mr. R. J. Wilton, who has been Chairman of Wines and Supper Committee, has left Hongkong for good. You are all aware of the painstaking manner in which he attended to this branch of the evening's entertainment and the excellent way in which everything was carried out. (Applause.) We shall miss him very much, but I may mention that although his services will not be available to us for the next ball we shall have his able Lieutenant, Mr. S. Baker, who has taken the keenest interest in the ball and has a note of all the arrangements made this year. (Applause.)

WHAT THEY SAY IN SIAM

about

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The vessel is designed to have a speed of about 17 knots, and will be propelled by twin-screw triple-expansion engines supplied from seven single-ended boilers working on oil fuel, and having three funnels, the machinery being constructed at the builders' Finnieston Engineering Works. She is 465 ft. long by 60 ft. broad by 33 ft. deep, with complete shelter deck, and poop, bridge, forecastle, and boat decks. She will carry 9 first-class passengers, 80 second-class passengers and about 250 deck passengers. Large public rooms are provided for comfortable staff, with separate Indian and Chinese galleys. Cargo handling arrangements are very complete, and large refrigerated chambers are provided for the 'tween decks. The vessel is in accordance with the latest bulkhead sub-division rules, and all life-saving appliances are of the most up-to-date description. The lifeboats being carried on a complete installation of MacLachlan and Co.'s new automatic davits.

During the year there was the usual Golf match between St. Andrew's Society and ourselves which we were fortunate enough to win, and we thus retain the trophy for another year (Hear, hear). Sailing races between the two Societies were also organized by the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club which provided a very interesting day's racing which I am glad to be able to record we again proved successful. (Applause.)
Before proposing the adoption of the report and accounts, I wish to say how much I have appreciated the great honour of being your President for the past year, and to thank all the Members of the Committee, the Hon. Secretary and Treasurer for the loyal support accorded me during the year. (Applause.)

I now beg to propose the adoption of the report and accounts as presented and when this has been seconded I will be pleased to answer to the best of my ability any questions that may be asked.
Mr. R. H. B. Hancock seconded the adoption of the report and accounts, and the motion was carried unanimously.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.
The Chairman in proposing the election of the new President for the ensuing year said that Mr. H. W. Bird had been Vice-President for the past two years and remarked that he had done valuable work on the Committee. He had great pleasure in proposing Mr. Bird as President. The Hon. Mr. Holyoak seconded. Proposing, Dr. Harston as Vice-President, the Chairman said that Dr. Harston had been a resident of Hongkong for a number of years and that he needed no introduction to the members. (Applause.) His Honour Mr. Justice Gompertz, seconded the proposal, which was unanimously carried.

The Chairman said that Mr. G. H. Piercy had carried on the work of Secretary for the past two years and he now desired to be relieved. Mr. L. S. Greenhill had kindly consented to his name being put forward, but he would like to point out that Mr. Greenhill would need some assistance during the meetings. Mr. Dowley seconded the proposal which was carried unanimously.
The Chairman then put forward the name of Mr. V. R. Jones for the position of Hon. Treasurer. In doing so he said that Mr. Exell had been elected for the past two years, and since he had left the Colony his work had been carried on by Mr. W. M. Cox.

Mr. Dowbiggin seconded, and the motion was carried.
The Committee was elected as follows: Messrs. C. G. Alabaster, L. G. Bird, P. S. Cassidy, E. Cock, H. B. I. Dowbiggin, W. A. Dowley, W. J. Eldridge, V. M. Grayburn, M. E. F. Airey, S. Baker, the Hon. Mr. A. R. Lowe and Mr. H. P. Winslow.

The Chairman mentioned that he thought the essay open for British school children should be discontinued and that some form of entertainment for the children should be organized to take its place. He also mentioned that it was proposed to hold the annual ball about the same time as last year.

The Rev. Copley Moyle suggested that there should be a formal parade of members at Cathedral service. If this could be arranged, he would only be too pleased to make arrangements for this.

COMMERCE AND FINANCE.

COMPANY REPORT.

CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN & MORTGAGE CO., LTD.

Subject to audit the General Managers and Consulting Committee of the China Provident Loan and Mortgage Co., Ltd., will at the forthcoming Meeting to be held on the 30th April 1924, recommend the following:-
To pay a Dividend of \$1 per share on old shares.....\$170,000.00
place to Reserve Fund 10,000.00
write off Furniture, Godown Equip-ment etc.....4,182.79
and carry forward.....1,757.20
\$185,940.08

HONGKONG SHARE MARKET.

In addition to the quotations given on page 11 as usual, the following should be noted:-
Hongkong Stock Exchange:-
Ropes ex rights ex bonus \$24½ nominal, rights \$3½ prem. buy.
Bonus shares \$24½ nominal.
Hongkong Developments \$1¼ sales.
China Buses \$10¼ buyers.
Hongkong Sharebrokers Asscn:-
Hongkong Developments \$1.20 sales.

COAL OUTPUT.

The total output of the Kailan Mining Administration's mines for the week ending March 29 amounted to 93,198 tons and the sales during the period to 106,978 tons.

COTTON MARKET.

Messrs. Morreau and Spiegelberg, Manchester, in their market report of March 12 write as follows:-
Yarns.-Prices have been advanced about 1d. per lb. Sales are reported to have been small but rates are very much firmer.

Cloth.-Though the volume of business actually booked remains small, bids from overseas are in many cases considerably nearer Manchester prices than was the case a week ago.

One hears of quite good lines being booked for China, after a considerable amount of offers and counter bids.

India is also making purchases, although there is a large volume of trade which remains steadily about 10 per cent. below Manchester in its offers.

The threatened lock-out in the spinning trade has been averted. The collapse of French francs is causing considerable anxiety on the financial side, and great interest is being taken in the efforts made to avoid the franc following the mark.

So far this has not affected the cotton trade to any extent, but it is causing a little nervousness.

South America buys small lots steadily and the Levant and Near East have placed orders. Home trade is decidedly good.

Of the smaller Eastern markets, Java and the Straits remain very dull, and bids from those places are very far out.

There is still too much speculation evident in the raw cotton market for consumers to have that confidence which is necessary before they will buy freely.

RUSSIA'S TRADE.

RGIA, April 13.

A message from Moscow states that the figures of the trade turnover in March decreased by 90 per cent. compared with February. A section of the Press regards the depression as temporary but the *Ekonomika* *Heskovykh* considers that it will be lasting.

"THE TENTS OF ALLAH"

Sharks made heavy precaution necessary in taking some of the water scenes in "The Tents of Allah," starring Monte Blue and Mary Alden. Because Porto Rico offered scenery and settings similar to Morocco, the locale of "The Tents of Allah," producer E. A. MacManus took his entire company to San Juan to stage this Encore Picture, distributed by Associated Exhibitors.

The story works up to a thrilling climax in which a desert tribe and the Sultan's guard come to blows on the Sultan's ship. The ship was a small Spanish corvette, one of two such old-fashioned boats still in existence, and over three hundred fighting men scrambled over it.

About twenty-five smaller boats were stationed around the corvette and out of range of the camera, for so thickly infested is the water with sharks, that a man overboard would have meant a life lost unless help was given immediately.

These sharks provide sport and practice for the U.S. Marines stationed at Morro Fort. Shark shooting makes good sharpshooters. "The Tents of Allah" will shortly be seen at the World Theatre with Mary Thurman, Sally Crute, Charles Lane, Macey Harlam, Frank Currier and others seen in support of Monte Blue and Mary Alden.

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"PAVIA"	6,807	18th Apr. at Noon	Singapore and Bombay
"OWNA"	7,632	20th Apr. at Noon	Marcellis, London & Antwerp
"SOUAN"	6,886	20th Apr. at Noon	Singapore, Penang, Col'bo & B'way
"KALVAN"	8,118	23rd May at Noon	Marcellis, London & Antwerp
"MIRZAPUR"	6,715	23rd May at Noon	Singapore, Penang, Col'bo & B'way
"PLASSY"	7,486	24th May at Noon	Marcellis, London & Antwerp
"KASHMIR"	8,862	24th May at Noon	Singapore, Penang, Col'bo & B'way
"SICILIA"	6,813	25th May at Noon	Marcellis, London & Antwerp
"KHIVA"	9,067	31st May at Noon	Marcellis, London & Antwerp
"KASHGAR"	8,840	14th June at Noon	Marcellis, London & Antwerp
"SOUAN"	6,886	23rd June at Noon	Singapore, Penang, Col'bo & B'way
"MOREA"	10,011	26th June at Noon	Marcellis, London & Antwerp
"KALAMALA"	8,098	13th July at Noon	Singapore, Penang, Col'bo & B'way
"SICILIA"	6,813	22nd July at Noon	Marcellis, London & Antwerp
"MALWA"	10,941	28th July at Noon	Marcellis, London & Antwerp
"DEVANHA"	8,092	9th Aug. at Noon	Marcellis, London & Antwerp
"MANTUA"	10,002	23rd Aug. at Noon	Marcellis, London & Antwerp
"KHYBER"	8,014	8th Sept. at Noon	Marcellis, London & Antwerp
"KASHGAR-I-HIND"	11,430	20th Sept. at Noon	Marcellis, London & Antwerp
"KASHMIR"	8,862	4th Oct. at Noon	Marcellis, London & Antwerp
"MOREA"	10,941	16th Oct. at Noon	Marcellis, London & Antwerp
"KASHGAR"	8,840	1st Nov. at Noon	Marcellis, London & Antwerp

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"TALMA"	10,000	16th Apr.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.
"JAPAN"	8,092	24th Apr.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.
"TANDA"	8,866	2nd May	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.
"TAKADA"	6,949	25th May	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.
"TORILLA"	6,806	9th June	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.

EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (South)

"ST. ALBANS"	4,600	30th Apr.	Manila, Sandakan, Thursday
"EASTERN"	1,000	29th May	Island, Townsville, Brisbane,
"ARAFURA"	6,000	2nd July	Sydney & Melbourne.

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"EASTERN"	4,000	3rd May	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
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"NOLIA"	6,813	13th May	Shanghai
"KASHGAR"	8,840	16th May	S'hai, Moji and Kobe.
"TORILLA"	6,806	20th May	Moji and Kobe.
"MOREA"	10,911	30th May	S'hai, Moji and Kobe.
"ARAFURA"	6,000	7th June	Shanghai
"SOUAN"	6,886	11th June	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"KALAMALA"	8,098	13th June	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"MALWA"	10,941	27th June	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	5th July	Moji & Kobe.
"SICILIA"	6,813	10th July	Shanghai
"DEVANHA"	8,092	11th July	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"MANTUA"	10,002	25th July	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"EASTERN"	4,000	2nd Aug.	Moji and Kobe.
"KHYBER"	8,014	8th Aug.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"KASHGAR-I-HIND"	11,430	20th Aug.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"KASHMIR"	8,862	4th Sept.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"ARAFURA"	6,000	6th Sept.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"MOREA"	10,911	19th Sept.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"KASHGAR"	8,840	2nd Oct.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	4th Oct.	Moji and Kobe.
"MALWA"	10,941	16th Oct.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
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It is still a moot point amongst tennis enthusiasts whether last week's unfinished contest between Honda and Ng Sze-kwong was or was not open to criticism but nobody could cavil at the type of tennis which a crowded stand saw yesterday when the pair at last finished their match in the fourth round of the Open Championship Singles and Honda won by three sets to one.

The game was really much more even than the scores appear to indicate. Most of the time both were playing a very steady game but Ng was occasionally careless and he was also unlucky. The Japanese player's "loss" was in and more than once his return hit the top of the net and just managed to roll over. Honda played well up to the net and got in some effective smashes when the local Champion was unable to work him back to the base line. Ng played the bolder game and he played the winder of the S. H. Ismail v. D. J. Allfree tie for entry into the semi-final. Ismail has had no easy task. In the first round he defeated P. A. Redmond and then after a reply, beat O. Rumjahn, last year's challenger.

The next stand-out match is down for Thursday when there will be a third round doubles tie, Ng Sze-kwong and C. Choa v. R. E. Worthington and P. A. Redmond. The following are yesterday's results—
Open Singles.—T. Honda beat Ng Sze-kwong, 6-4, 5-7, 6-3, 6-1.
Handicap Doubles.—L. Thomas and P. J. R. Mitchell beat P. A. Redmond and M. Roffey, 6-2, 5-7, 6-1.
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An attempt to tow it to Corfu by Greek and British destroyers was unsuccessful owing to the strong surf. The British destroyer was making a last attempt to tow the machine to-day, and simultaneously a party of sailors was sent overland with gear to fit up the engine on the spot if the towing proved unsuccessful.—*Reuter.*

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Shanghai via Swatow	FUEHSANG	Sat., 19th Apr., 11 a.m.
Tientsin via Swatow & Shanghai	YATSIANG	Sun., 20th Apr., 7 a.m.
Tientsin via Swatow & Shanghai	WINGSANG	Wed., 23rd Apr., 7 a.m.
Tientsin via Swatow & Shanghai	CHIPSANG	Tues., 23rd Apr., Noon
Kobe via SHANGHAI	HOSANG	Fri., 25th Apr., 7 a.m.
Shanghai via Swatow	TAISANG	Fri., 25th Apr., 7 a.m.
SANDAKAN	MAUSANG	Fri., 25th Apr., 1 p.m.
MANILA via AMOY	SURANG	Sat., 26th Apr., 11 a.m.
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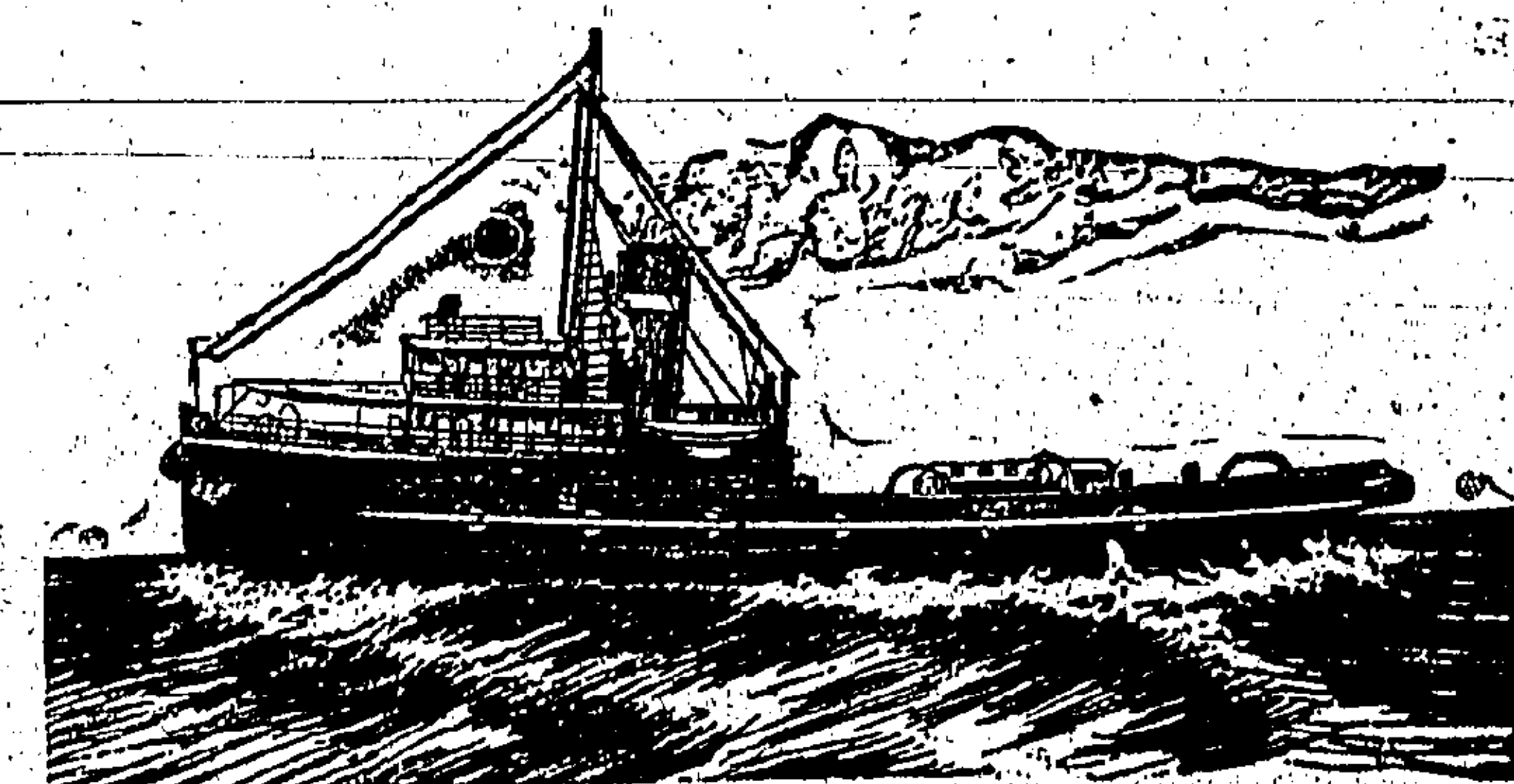
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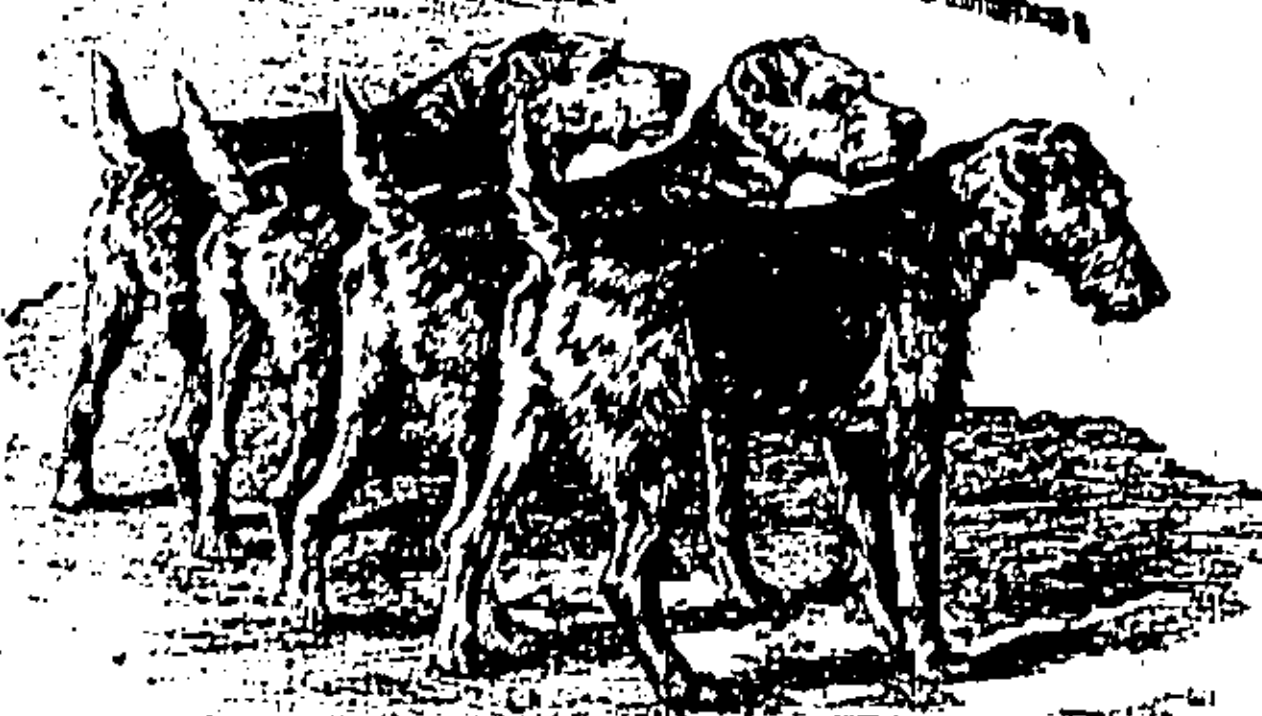
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Senator Smith W. Brookhart, of Iowa, "insurgent" Republican, who heads the Senate Committee that is investigating the official conduct of the former Attorney-General, Mr. Harry M. Daugherty, with particular reference to the Naval oil reserve lease scandals.



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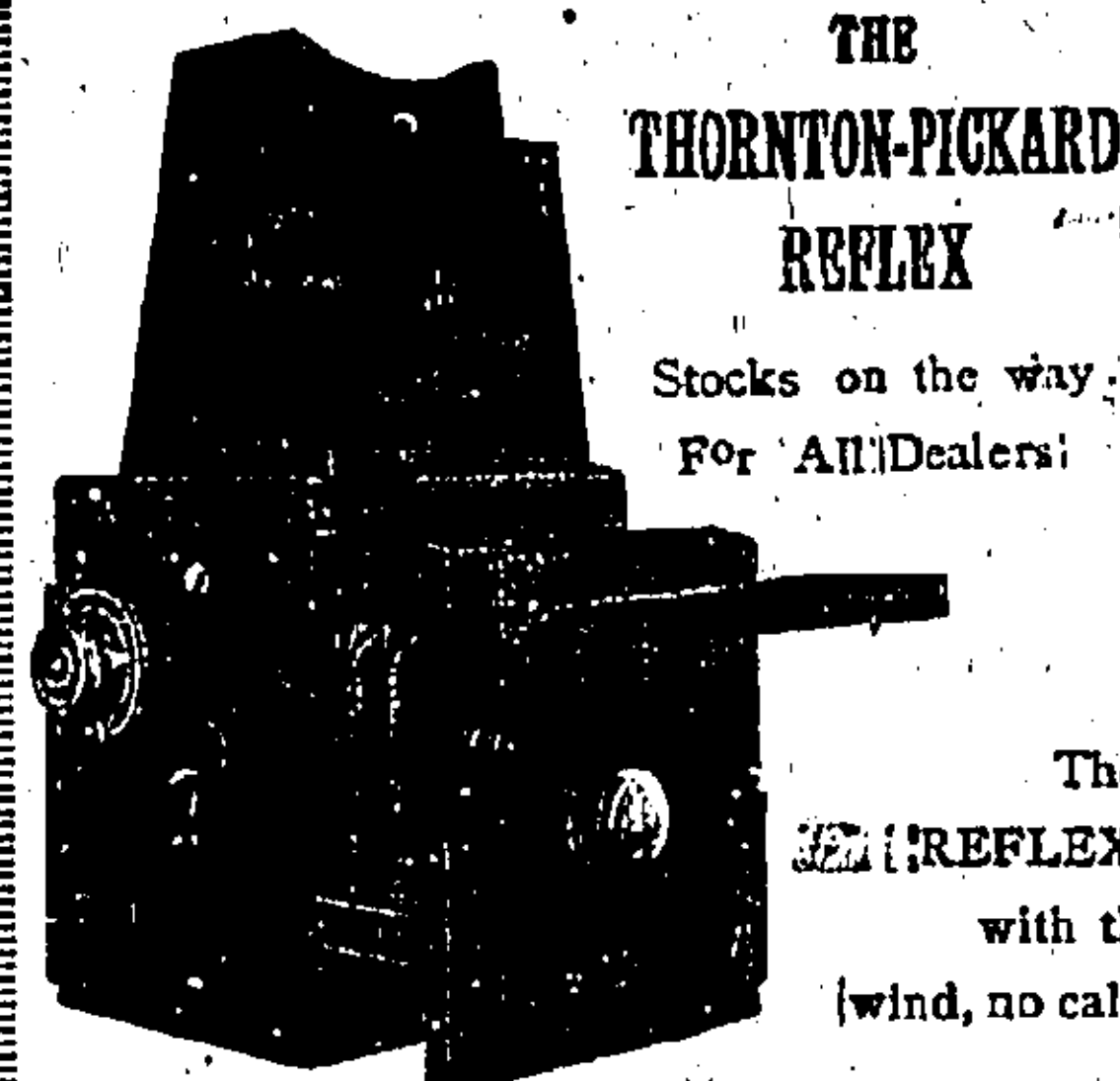
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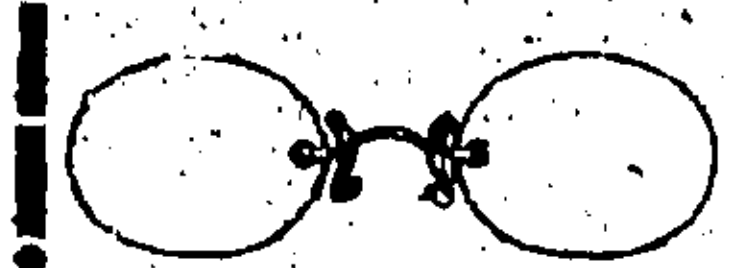
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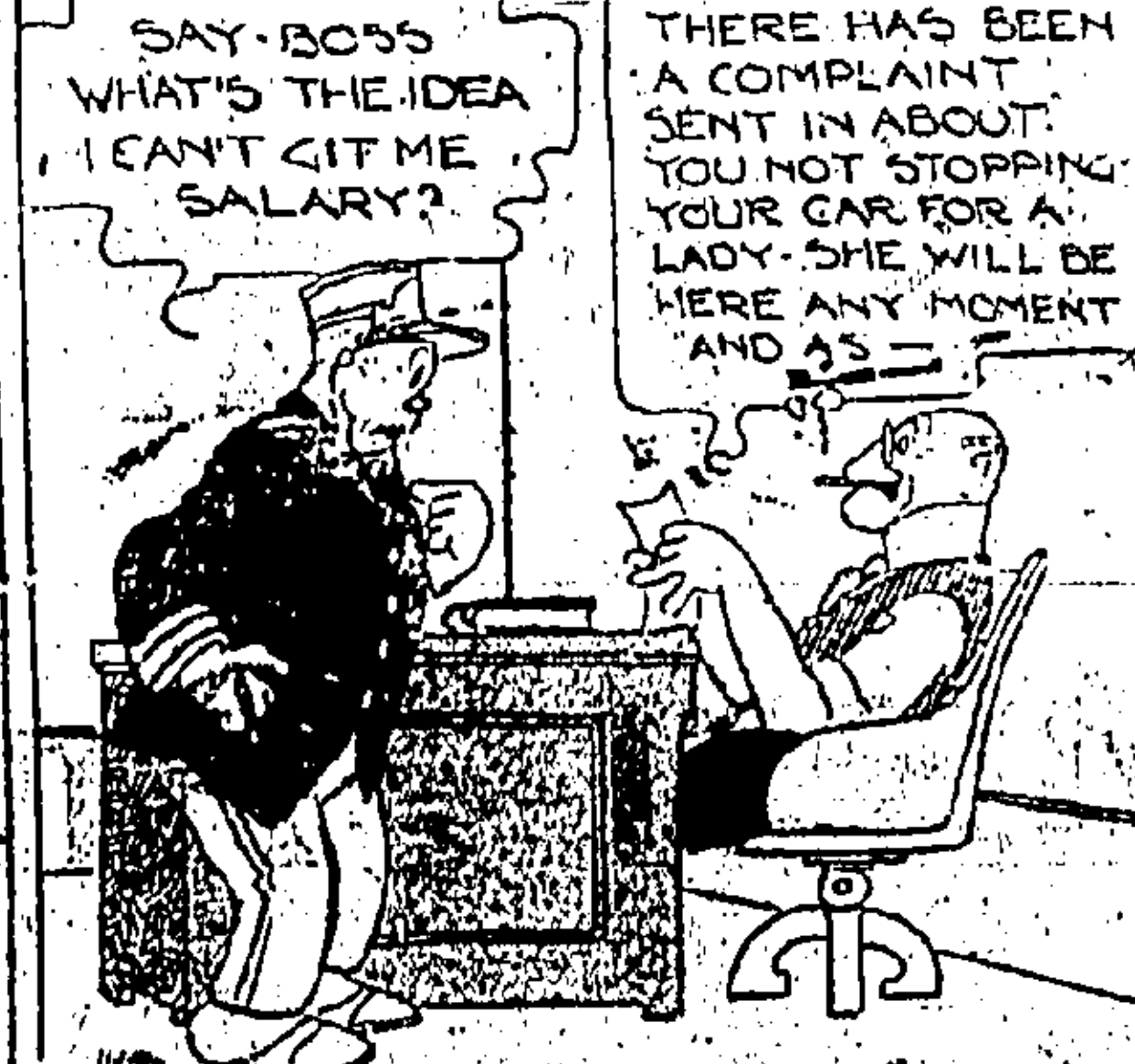
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100 Yards Handicap (Junior).—1, Chan Pak-chee; 2, Wong Shiu-on.

Senior 120 Yards (Juniors).—1, Leung Po-chuen; 2, Sun To-sun.
100 Yards Small Boys Race, For boys of 13 years of age and under.—1, H. B. Hartin; 2, Pan Kwok-wa.

100 Yards Flat Race (Senior).—Cheung Shu-fan; 2, Leung Wing-tak.
Staff Race 120 Yards.—1, J. J. Shuk; 2, Fok Wing-kuk.

High Jump (Senior).—1, Leung Wing-tak; 2, Z. Abrattiqui.
100 Yards Flat Race. Open to all Cap School.—1, Cheung Shu-fan; 2, Lam Yu-choi.

Junior 220 Yards.—1, Chan Tak-chee; 2, Wong Shiu-on.
Senior 220 Yards Challenge Cup.—1, Leung Po-chuen; 2, Sun To-sun.

Old Boys' Race 220 Yards.—1, Cruz; 2, Kuan Chuen.
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Obstacle Race.—1, K. M. Omar; 2, Y. A. Wahid.
Senior Half Mile.—1, Han Sun-ho; 2, Yuen Shing-ho.

Staff Race 100 Yards.—1, Fok Wing-kuk; 2, J. S. Shuk.
Egg and Spoon Race.—1, Kwok Hing-ki; 2, Fung King-chung.

One Mile Bicycle Race.—1, Tai Kwok-chun; 2, A. T. Hurlen.
Three Legged Race.—1, Yuen Shing-ho and William Shuen; 2, Fung Wai-chuen and Cheung Shu-fan.

Relay Race.—1, St. Joseph's College.
50 Yards Championship.—1, Leung Po-chuen; 2, Sun To-sun.

Class Team Race.—1, Class 2.
100 Yards Flat Race.—1, Paul Jackson; 2, A. Shuk.

One Mile Flat Race.—Fung King-chung; 2, Han Sun-ho.
Consolation Race (Junior).—1, Leung Po-chuen; 2, Leung Wai-kau.

Consolation Race (Senior).—1, Fung Ho-kwa; 2, Tang Man-he.
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HONGKONG TIDES.

The tide-table given below has been compiled at the National Almanac Office in London from the results of the analysis of observations taken by means of an automatic tide-recording machine in the Water Police Basin at Tsim Sha Teui during the years 1908-9.

The zero of the table corresponds with the zero of the sounding in the Admiralty Chart, which has been found to be 4 feet inches below mean sea-level.

To obtain the depth of water on the tide gauge at the Victoria Naval Yard add 8 feet 4 inches, and on the gauge at Lampong Dock, Aberdeen, add 10 feet inches to the height given in the table.

April 14 to 20, 1924.

HIGH WATER		LOW WATER	
Time	Height	Time	Height
Mon. 14	11.15	1.15	1.15
Tue. 15	11.15	1.15	1.15
Wed. 16	11.15	1.15	1.15
Thu. 17	11.15	1.15	1.15
Fri. 18	11.15	1.15	1.15
Sat. 19	11.15	1.15	1.15
Sun. 20	11.15	1.15	1.15

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Chartered Bank ... 2 1/2 b.

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Kailash Mining Adm. ... 68 b.

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Mar. and Parcels 13th Mar.) Glassy
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Australia and Manila
U.S.A., Canada, Japan and Shanghai Taiyuan
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Hobow Drufar 5 p.m.
Shanghai Shantung 5 p.m.
Swatow Kwongseang 5 p.m.
Saigon Wong Shek Kung 5 p.m.
Kongmoon Samsing 5.30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17. PER
Bangkok Banks 8.30 a.m.
Straits and Japan Adolfin Bayer 8.30 a.m.
Africa Laboff 2.30 p.m.
Straits Alcinous 2.30 p.m.
Formosa Busho Maru 10.30 a.m.
Wahaiwei Knichow 10.30 p.m.
Straits and Columbia Talma Noon.
Swatow Hydrazon 3.30 p.m.

THURSDAY, APRIL 18. PER
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa Taiyuan Maru 8.30 a.m.
Shanghai, Japan, and "VICTORIA B.C."
due Victoria B.C., May 16th & Europe
via Siberia (Correspondence specially
super-scribed "Via Siberia" only)
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S.
Africa, Egypt & EUROPE via
Marseilles—due Marseilles 18th
May. Registration 9.45 a.m. Letters
10.30 a.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S.
Africa, Aden, Egypt & EUROPE via
Marseilles—due Marseilles 18th May.
Parcels 9 p.m. 18th Apr. Registration
9.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., Central
America, B.C., and Vancouver B.C.
7th May. Parcels for Canada only—
May 17th 5 p.m. Registration 18th
May. Letters 10 a.m.
Shanghai and EUROPE via Siberia (Corres-
pondence specially super-scribed "via
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Hobow and Bangkok Chunsang 8.30 a.m.
Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island—due
Thursday Island 28th Apr. Registration
9.45 a.m. Letters 9.59 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa Yohino Maru 9 a.m.
Shanghai and Japan Balhoo 9 p.m.
Samsing 9 p.m.

SATURDAY, APRIL 20. PER
Shanghai, Japan, and Formosa Tjialak 9 a.m.
Manila Rajjo Maru 9 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa Kashiwa Maru 10.30 a.m.
Shanghai and Japan Balhoo Noon.

SUNDAY, APRIL 21. PER
Japan and Honolulu Anyo Maru 10.30 a.m.
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Hendaken Balhoo Noon.

TUESDAY, APRIL 22. PER
Shanghai and Japan Sarpedon 10.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa Anyo Maru 10.30 a.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S.
Africa, Aden, Egypt & EUROPE via
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Parcels 9 p.m. 18th Apr. Registration
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THURSDAY, APRIL 24. PER
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WEATHER REPORT.

April 15d. 11h. 17m.—Pressure
has decreased slightly to moderat-
ely from Shanghai to Indo-China
and the Philippines. It is nearly
stationary in the North.
The depression has deepened
and now covers the whole of China
Hongkong, rainfall for the 24 hours
ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inch.
Total since January 1st, 8.33 inches,
against an average of 8.47 inches.
Forecast for the 24 hours ending at
noon on April 16, 1924.
1.—Kowloon Channel, S. winds,
moderate; squally, overcast.
2.—South coast of China between
Kowloon and Lamook, S. winds,
moderate; squally, overcast.
3.—Hongkong to Gas Rock, S. winds,
moderate; squally, overcast.
4.—South coast of China between
Hongkong and Hainan, S. winds,
moderate; squally, overcast.

ROYAL OBSERVATORY,
HONGKONG.

DAILY WEATHER REPORT.

APRIL 16, 1924.—a.m.

Station.	Hour.	Barometer at Sea Level.	Temperature.	Humidity.	Direction.	Wind Force.
Widder's Peak	6	30.01	24	88	S	0
Saen	6	30.01	24	88	S	0
Rakoduta	6	30.01	24	88	S	0
Poko	6	30.01	24	88	S	0
Kochi	6	30.01	24	88	S	0
Nagasaki	6	30.01	24	88	S	0
Kagoshima	6	30.01	24	88	S	0
Oshima	6	30.01	24	88	S	0
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